

24 February 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 24 February 1982

The Director chaired the meeting. []

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The Director said he has asked the Executive Director, the DDO, the DDI, and the IG to undertake an internal review of CA programs. []

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[] reported on his Far East trip and noted the excellent cooperation he received from [] in the area. []

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[] noted that Admiral Inman's overview of the NFIP for the HPSCI on 23 February was well received, although the HPSCI was not pleased with the size of the budget. [] commented we will have to persuade the HPSCI to accept the FY-1983 budget; the Director, however, noted his concern over funds available from the current FY-1982 budget. []

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Dirks announced that Bob Koehler is the new Director of OD&E and [] is the new Deputy Director, OD&E. []

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Dirks reported on his visit last week to several industrial sites and said he was impressed with the way research into IR collection is going. He added these advances are primarily due to the infusion of money by DARPA. []

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Fitzwater noted his concern about SAFE and said he has formed a joint CIA/DIA audit team to survey the progress being made in the system development; the team is to report back to him with recommendations on future decisions. Fitzwater added [] will be in to discuss various alternatives to the SAFE system. In response to the DCI's question, Gates said the decision to be made is whether to spend more money for the system or to terminate the project. Admiral Inman noted the problem is more complex than that and commented about how the existence or non-existence of the system could affect money for other types of programs like SAFE. Admiral Inman noted he had mentioned the SAFE situation during the HPSCI briefing. Fitzwater said he will report on the status of SAFE to the Director. []

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[] reported that Identities Legislation has still not been brought to the floor of the Senate and in view of other Senate priorities, the bill may be delayed further. According to [] calculations, there are 46 votes for the bill, 27 against and the rest undecided or leaning to the bill. []

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[] mentioned the 25 February SSCI briefing on El Salvador and noted that Senator Biden has requested that the issue of Human Rights Certification be raised at this session but that the Chairman, SSCI has refused to entertain the question. []

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[] noted HPSCI's problem with the FY-1983 budget; they think the numbers are too large and don't like the way the budget is organized; they like the old system. []

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Gates reported he will brief Senators Lugar and Jackson on the quality of analysis on 25 February. []

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Lipton reported that State has backed off MODE and the program is in the process of being dismantled. []

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Lipton reported that if we continue along the lines we are currently following we shall be [] over our FY 1982 budget. Lipton will provide the Director with some perspectives on the budget next week.

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Glerum reported we are currently [] personnel under the year-end ceiling but with [] applicants in process, he expects to be at ceiling by the end of May or early June. In response to Admiral Inman's question, Glerum said the CT Program is in some difficulty because of the inability to find qualified people to participate in the program. []

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[] reported that [] was upbeat about his observations in Norway re the Soviet gas pipeline. []

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[] reported that the 2 March NFIB will consider two Memoranda to Holders on terrorism. []

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